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A New Aid Fable.

This is not a George Ade fable, though it may sling some slang. It is a Home Aid fable.

Once there was a Geezer, who sat around and cut Kindling too small for Cook Stove purposes. He Whittled against Time and Flabbergasted against his Town. The town was No Good, and he said—strictly on the Blink. Yes, it was N. G. Why, hadn't he lived here since '84 and found that the Place was Punky? Sure, Mike!

Look at that town over in the next County. Grown like Jonah's Gourd. Must be a Jonah here. We've grown some, but I don't see that we're knocking any particularly Big Persimmons. That's the way this Gazaboo knocked his town.

One day a Sarcastic Stranger floated into the Town that was Knocked from the burg that had blossomed like Jonah's Gourd. He heard some of the Flabbergasting and Dropped to the situation.

"Look here, you," he remarked to the citizen who was Handling Out the Knocks. "What do you do for this town? Are you doing your part to put this Burg on the 'Upgraded'? What's that hefty Bunch of literature sticking out of your clothes?"

"That's a Mail Order Catalogue from Chicago—a town that is a town," replied the Geezer.

"So I thought," said the Impertinent Arrival. "Now let me hand you out a nice little Wad of common sense. For the past ten years you have been sending your money to the Chicago Mail Order houses instead of spending it among your home merchants. What would have happened to Chicago fifty years ago if all the First Settlers had shipped their Loose Coin to New York on catalogue inducements? Why, you'd have to use a sand dredger now to find the Original Site of Chicago. Now, in the Burg from which I have just Blown in we got over all this Hum Business years ago. We passed Resolutions that we would trade at home and help our own town to Spread out so that you could Right it on the map without using Opera Glasses. But you and a Bunch of other folks in this town have wasted your Substance in Riotous Expenditures in Chicago by mail and let the sheriff hang out the 'Nothing Doing' sign in front of some of your own town's mercantile Emporiums. Look at our Town and then look at yours. What makes the Difference?"

Whereupon the Whittling Gazaboo threw a few well chosen Thoughts into his mental makeup and went down to the village store to Annex a linen collar in place of the Paper Circles which he had bought from Chicago at Two Bits a Box.

MORAL: If you want your town to grow, patronize home enterprises.

Local Items.

Rev Mr Abernathy will fill his regular appointment at the Baptist church Sunday.

We had a splendid picture of the new hotel made, but the half-tone cut did not arrive in time for this issue.

If you want high class printing, at low rates, ring up 43 and we will be after the order in less time than it takes to tell it.

The first bill introduced in the present session of the Legislature was to repeal the dog-tax law. There is much opposition to the law and it doubtless will be repealed.

The Gleaners will meet in the Library of the Lancaster High School Jan 17, at 2:30 p. m. On this date new members will be received or application for membership can be made.

The officers of the Presbyterian church have decided to replace the old furnace with new ones, and they will be installed in a few days. The present ones have been in service since the house was built, and were the first to be used in this section of the state.

The Record's Sunday papers, Cincinnati, Louisville, Frankfort, and Lexington, came lumbering in Monday afternoon. The unseizable, careless way in which mail is sent to the Lancaster office is very aggravating, indeed.

Bank Election.

At annual election of directors, The Garrard Bank & Trust Co. re-elected its old board of directors, with the exception of Thos. Owens in place of J. B. Sanders and A. B. Brown, Jr. in place of I. M. Dunn. At the National Bank, the name of J. L. Gill was added to the list of old directors who were re-elected. The Citizens Bank re-elected its old board.

Gen Lee's Birthday.

The local chapter United Daughters of the Confederacy, will hold a celebration of the birth of Gen Robt E Lee, at the residence of Mrs F P Frisbie next Saturday afternoon. There will be a number of musical numbers and recitations, and Hon W I Williams will deliver an address upon the life of the noted soldier. The Lancaster Chapter is in a flourishing condition, and the meetings are a source of much pleasure.

Enjoyable Meeting.

The Garrard County Christian Endeavor Union, which met at local Christian church last Saturday, was greatly enjoyed by the large number of people, both young and old, who attended. The program, as published in last issue of The Record, was carried out, and each number was highly complimented. Dinner was served at noon. The C E is now thoroughly organized in Garrard county, and is doing a noble work.

Mr Fox Will Return.

The Record is delighted to announce the determination of Mr E H Fox, the photographer, to continue making his regular Saturday trips to Lancaster. He has a splendid place in which to make pictures, and uses the same instruments as in his famous Danville studio. His work in Lancaster during the several years he has been coming here has always given eminent satisfaction, and the people of Lancaster and Garrard county will be delighted to know that he has decided to continue his visits. Remember, he can do just as good work on rainy days as at any other time.

Good For Mr Helm.

Hon Harve Helm, our member of Congress, has introduced a bill to carry into effect the findings of the Court of Claims in the case of the Methodist church at Bryantsville, in which findings the court decides as just the church's claim of \$450 for damages done the property by the Federal soldiers during the war. Mr Helm will, of course, do all in his power to secure the passage of the bill. He is making a model congressman and will accomplish all in his power for his constituents.

Suggestion to Council.

As the new contract with the electric light people is now in force, and the lights are paid for to run until one o'clock, why wouldn't it be a good idea to put that extra hour on the afternoon instead of the dead of midnight, when everybody is, or ought to be asleep? The days are very dark, and it is too dark to work shortly after three o'clock. The light is needed much more in afternoon, before contract time to turn them on, so why not reverse the order of things and give the merchants the benefit thereof? It would be of especial benefit in this office, where, frequently, we are compelled to use oil lamps before the electricity is turned on. Think this over, gentlemen, as we believe it will be of much benefit to the public. Chances are, come to think of it, those out after twelve o'clock don't want too much light, anyway.

LOST, Sunday evening, a solid gold barrette, hand carved, between the Methodist church and G. A. Evans residence. Return to Record office and receive reward.

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Lancaster, Kentucky.
Offices over Starnes drug store.

Meeting Continues.

The protracted meeting which has been in progress at the Methodist church for some weeks, continues with interest. Notwithstanding the fact that the meeting ran through the holidays, and the weather has, most of the time, been very inclement, large congregations have listened to the earnest preaching of Rev Mr Dawson and taken part in the services. A number have united with the church, and others—members of other churches—been greatly benefitted, by the meetings.

Will Own The Farm.

A farmer in a nearby county while in a generous frame of mind gave his daughter a hen and a rooster and bade her run away and be a good girl, promising her if she would look after them he would give her the increase for four years. The girl, as it were, planted the chicks and the results, according to her father's report, is astonishing. He says she has \$64 in the bank and has 200 chickens which he had to feed last winter. According to the farmer's best calculations his girl will own the farm at the end of four years and will be charging him rent for living on it.

Large Mule Market.

A special from Elizabethtown says: "The sale and shipment of mules for 1907-08 have begun. Five carloads were shipped last week and three carloads will go Friday. Rod Warfield sold two carloads Friday to H Russell of Atlanta, Ga. and R B Park made the best sale of the season Saturday, when he sold 100 head of cotton mules to the same purchaser for \$16,000. The mule feeders of this city and Hardin county now have a large number of mules on hand which are ready for the market. About 3,000 head of mules were sold out of this city and county last year, and while the number this year is not as large as last, the quality of the mules are better."

Sunday School Rally.

An interesting Rally of the Christian Sunday Schools of Garrard county will be held in the Lancaster Christian Church, Tuesday, January 21st. The sessions will be held at 10:00 A M and 1:30 P M under the direction of Robt M Hopkins, of Louisville, state evangelist. No set speeches will be made, but discussions are to be had on vital Sunday School topics that are uppermost in the enthusiastic forward movement which the Sunday School is now making everywhere. All superintendents, officers, teachers and interested workers are urged to attend this Rally.

Examinations.

The examination for graduates from the public schools will be held at the office of the County Superintendent's on Friday and Saturday, Jan 24 and 25th.

Burning Money.

The extravagant use of money on calendars was practiced again this winter, nearly every business house spending many good dollars for trash which they could have used in a profitable way in advertising their business. Unless a business man has a very hard some and expensive calendar, it is never hung in the homes, but is cast aside. Last week, we saw on the counter of one store four calendars issued by as many business men in town. One had been partly whittled away, another had been scribbled over with a pen while a third had its back torn off to be used for another purpose. Thus, expensive printed matter was being thrown away. Progressive business houses have special bargains every few weeks during the year, and they advertise the fact in the columns of the newspapers—the place housekeepers and other customers look to find what is being offered. Take a glance at the columns of The Record's advertising columns and you will see how the merchants and bankers talk. It is needless to say that they want your business, and the fact that the working of their advertisements is changed every few weeks shows they are wide awake, want your business and appreciate your patronage. The Record has never yet begged or insisted upon anyone giving it patronage, but it feels duty-bound to say to those merchants who waste their good money on calendars, fence posts, fans, programs, etc., that they are throwing their money to the birds. Be progressive by having a special sale on some special line of goods every few weeks, and then tell the people what you are offering. In this way, customers form the habit of visiting your store and, of course, become your regular patrons. Can you go around and do this on your calendar for which you paid a big price forst of the year? We think not, but your money set apart for "advertising" has been blown in, and you are simply not in it with the progressing merchant whose name appears in every issue of the Central Record which goes into nearly every home in Lancaster and Garrard county. Think this over.

Lost Dogs.

Two black and tan dogs, one wearing E H Walker's collar and one with that of T C Lear, of Brodhead. Also two spotted bitches, one wearing collar of E H Walker and one with collar of Woods Walker. They disappeared Jan 2 in cedars at Gooch place. I will not only be thankful for information, but will come after the dogs and pay liberal reward. Woods Walker, Paint Lick, Ky. Phone 152X.

Loafers.

Did you ever consider how much trouble and turmoil in the world is stirred up by loafers? Do it, and you will be surprised. Investigate carefully and you will find that nine of the ten fusses and quarrels that you know of in your town or neighborhood were started by loafers who had no business of their own to attend to and so got busy with other people's affairs. The old juvenile proverb that "Satan finds some mischief still for idle hands to do" is as true as gospel. There can be no such thing as absolute idleness. Activity of some kind is essential to existence. Men and women have to do something and when they have no work of their own to occupy their minds they get busy with the affairs of others and make trouble always.

Some Sound Reasoning.

The following letter was published in recent issue of the Courier Journal: To the editor of the Courier Journal: The writer of this is somewhat of a fisherman himself, and greatly interested in the propagation and preservation of fish. I have read with great interest what Mr Thomas S Jones and the Courier Journal have said about establishing a fish hatchery in Kentucky. This is all right and should be done. But what is most needed in behalf of the fishermen of Kentucky, is the enforcement of the present laws against seining and the dynamiting of our streams. The Courier Journal and Mr Jones are probably not aware of the fact that in this section of the State—Garrard, Lincoln, Mercer and Boyle counties—are two streams—Dix river and Hanging Fork—that if properly protected for three years would supply, by natural propagation, enough of the little-mouth black bass, goggle-eye and crapple (newlight) to restock every other stream in the State.

I am not against the hatchery. It would be a splendid thing to have, but it would be poor policy to hatch fish and restock the streams for the benefit of the scoundrel who steals out at night with his seines and stick of dynamite and kills and destroys every thing that swims in water.

There is no fishing in Kentucky for the legitimate fisherman. Every hole of water, deep enough to float a cork, has been seined and dynamited to a finish. Stop the fish murderer, and by the natural law of increase, our streams will restock themselves. However, establish the hatchery. It will be the means of more quickly restocking our streams, but, at the same time, provide means for protecting the progeny. Otherwise, nil.

JOHN E. STORMES.

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Note. Beginning February 1st, 1908 we will discontinue giving premium dishes and china, but instead we will give to every customer holding \$10.00 worth of tickets, 25c in trade. This means on any article in our store below the specified amount. Any customer now holding our premium tickets may call at our store and we will gladly redeem them with either of the two articles named above.

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but fully expect, with the high grade lines of CLOTHING, SHOES and FURNISHINGS which we have so carefully purchased for the coming Spring and Summer seasons, to end the year 1908 with all our previous increase records broken and outstripped by far. Drop in and see us when passing

Jim Smith.

Fisher Herring